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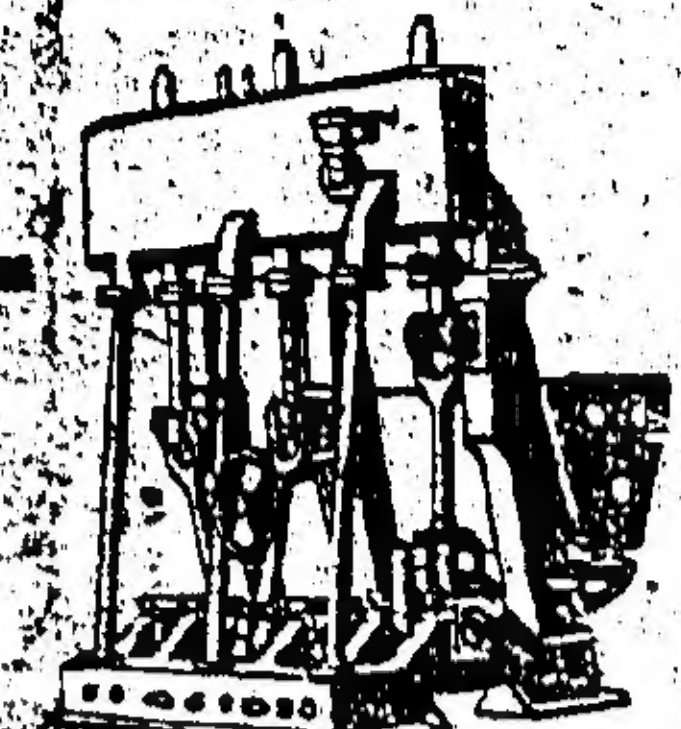
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THE WAR.

TO-DAY'S TELEGRAMS.

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OFFICIAL REPORTS.
LOCAL FIGHTING CONTINUES.
RAIDS REPULSED.
London, May 6.
10.20 p.m.
Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—
In a successful local operation during the night in the neighbour-
hood of Morlancourt, we took over 200 prisoners.
The French repulsed attempted raids southward of I.Dere.
Reciprocal artillery firing continued throughout the day on the battle-
fronts.
Our artillery caused several fires behind the enemy's lines northward of I.Dere.

THE FRENCH FRONT.
USUAL ARTILLERY ACTIVITY.
London, May 7.
A French communiqué states:—
There was somewhat great reciprocal artillery activity north and south of the Aisne.

AMERICANS SUBJECTED TO SEVERE BOMBARDMENT.
London, May 6.
An official report from Paris states:—
The Germans on the 5th violently bombarded the American sector in Picardy with gas-shells and high explosives.
American artillery vigorously re-
plied.

A GERMAN REPORT.
London, May 6.
A wireless German official report states:—
A local enemy attack southward of L'Orch, failed.
We captured some prisoners during reconnoitring engagements near Hangard and south-westward of Brimont, also with the Americans south-westward of Blamont and with the French at Hartmannswillerkopf.

AIR RAID ON ZEEBRUGGE.
MOLE AND SEAPLANE BASE HIT.
London, May 6.
The Admiralty announces:—
Between April 29th and May 5th our Air Force contingents from Dunkirk carried out bombing opera-
tions on Ostend, Westende, Zee-
brugge mole, the lock gates, seaplane base and shipping in the vicinity.
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brugge.
One of our machines did not return.
During the offensive our patrols destroyed one enemy machine and drove down another.

AUSTRALIA AND WAR SERVICE.
A VIGOROUS COME-OUT.
London, May 7.
The Daily Mail Sydney Correspondent reports that the Military authorities have decided to cease employing for service in Australia men fit for service abroad, and as a result of two years' public agitation a vigorous come-out is proceeding. Every man who has not seen active service is being medically examined and those who joined for general service will be sent abroad. The opinion of the authorities is decidedly approved as tending to remove a condition which prejudiced recruiting.

THE OPERATIONS IN PALESTINE.
BRITISH WITHDRAWN FROM ESSALT.
BOOTS TAKEN IN FIVE DAYS.
London, May 6.
An official report from Palestine states:—
Our advanced troops holding Essalt have withdrawn. Subsequently, the bulk of the troops were withdrawn over the Jordan, strong detachments remaining on the eastern bank, thus securing crossings.
We captured eastward of the Jordan between April 30th and May 4th one German and 43 Turkish officers, and 42 Germans and 843 Turks of other ranks, also 29 machine-guns, six motor lorries, indicating casualties exceeding ours.

The King of Hedjaz's forces on May 3rd attacked Turkish parties working on the Wadi Jerdun railway station northward of Maan, taking 25 prisoners and seriously damaging the line.
A DEMAND FOR FULLER INFORMATION.
The Times, commenting on General Allenby's communiqué, says the fact remains that we have twice pushed east from the Jordan and each time we have been compelled to withdraw. It is clear that the enemy on this front is increasing in strength and the whole problem of the Palestine advance requires fuller official explanation than has hitherto been received.

SPANISH BOAT TORPEDOED.
SURVIVORS ARRIVE AT BARCELONA.
Barcelona, May 7.
The survivors of the torpedoed Spanish steamer *Luisa* have arrived here.
They were attacked while the steamer was following armed Allied vessels.
She sank in three minutes.
Three stokers were killed.
British patrol boats picked up the survivors.

GERMAN DIPLOMACY IN HOLLAND.
NEWSPAPER COMMENT ON THE SETTLEMENT.
Amsterdam, May 8.
Commenting on the Foreign Minister's statement of yesterday, the *Maastricht Dagblad* says: "German diplomacy has won in Holland a success similar to that which General Hoffmann and Field-Marshal von Eichhorn win daily in the East."
It complains that Dr. Loudon's statement is obscure regarding Dutch control over the German traffic on the Limburg Railway.

EXTRA LETTER CHARGE TO THE DOMINIONS.
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London, May 6.
In the House of Commons the second reading was passed of the Bill authorising the increase of the postal rates to 1 1/4 p.m. Home letters, also to America, India and the Dominions.
The increased letter rates will not apply to soldiers serving abroad.
The Postmaster-General (Mr. Hankey) estimated that the extra letter charge to the Dominions and Colonies would produce £140,000 annually.
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Hongkong, May 1, 1918. 300

LONDON LETTER.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

LONDON, March 15.
WOMEN TO THE FORE.

How far women have progressed since the war began is once more demonstrated by the recognition shown by the Government to the abilities of Lady Emmott. After being the only woman member of a commission that inquired into the control of war charity funds, she has now been invited to a seat on the Advisory Council of the Ministry of Reconstruction.

This is all the more notable because Lady Emmott is far from being of the type usually described as a "new woman." Her methods are quiet and she has attained middle age with gracefulness. Few women dress more carefully; her jewellery is fine, in excellent taste, and sets off attractively her natural daintiness. Before the war she was a popular hostess, and her friends are numbered by the hundred.

Her husband, Lord Emmott, was formerly a Liberal M.P. for a Lancashire division, and he is an authority on commercial matters, who has rendered quiet but effective service in respect to the regulation of war trade.

Another woman who has been active in the past week is Lady Droghda, who sold war savings certificates in Trafalgar Square, in connection with Business Men's Turf Week, and also flew over the town in a large battle plane, scattering leaflets on the populace exhorting them to subscribe to their last shilling.

Her flights, void in interest with those of the pigeon-post, which was effectively used as an aid to attracting war savings.

It would be interesting to know what Lady Droghda now thinks of the Crown Prince of Germany, for she used to meet him a good deal, and was more than once his dancing partner. She is doing her best, at any rate, to defeat his ambitions as a world monarch.

As Miss Kathleen Pelham Burn, she was a well-known figure in Scottish Society and also in London, and was one of the belles of that northern section of British Society, which celebrated at the Obituary, after her marriage to the sailor Earl, she soon established herself as a social leader in London. Her wonderful colour effects in dress and house decoration—she initiated the black dining room with Futurist frieze—made her a personage in the artistic set in Mayfair and Belgrave.

It was in the Coronation year that the Crown Prince of Germany singled her out at the great ball given by Millicent, Duchess of Sutherland, at Stafford House, for special attention. He danced several waltzes with her and made no secret of his admiration.

Since aviation became her enthusiasm, Lady Droghda has flown over Dublin as well as London, and has organised Aeronautical Exhibitions on both sides of the water, with great advantage to the service.

THE EX-EMPERE EUGENIE.

Nobody in the world is following the trend of the war more closely than the ex-Empress Eugenie of France. Only the other day M. Pichon, the French Foreign Minister, paid a tribute to her "delicate thought" in transmitting the original letter sent to her in 1870 by Wilhelm I. of Germany in reference to Alsace-Lorraine. This letter enabled the French Government emphatically to dispose of the German contention

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There have been many signs, besides that of the Empress' activity. The war, her friends say, has had a reviving effect upon her. She is old, bent, and walks with a stick, but she sees more people, writes and receives more letters and laughs much more than for many years. She who used to set the fashions is no longer fastidious about her dress, but her faculties are as keen as ever, and her black eyes are brilliant still. All her old associates of the time of her grandeur are dead, but she declares she will live until the Germans have been made to disgorge their stolen gains from France.

RATIONING A SUCCESS.

Three weeks or more of rationing in London have proved a success on the whole, and there are no longer any queues. The butchers, too, are doing their business once more with open doors, for all their customers are registered. Until rationing came in there was a surfeit of butchery about the butcher's methods in the time of shortage that led to at least one amusing incident. Some children were sent to the butcher's shop usually patronised by their family, but they came home with a purchase made at another shop. They explained that they saw several people go into their usual shop, the blinds of which were drawn, but none came out. "We thought," they added, "that it would be better to go somewhere else." Evidently the customers were passed out at a side door, but the youthful mind was suspicious that they were being turned into marketable produce.

The way the restaurants are prospering has led to a great public outcry and also to a change in the habits of hundreds of people, especially those living in chambers and small apartments. Formerly these people used to dine out regularly, but now domestic science is no longer a discounted art, and so these male and female bachelors are doing their own cooking and living very much more economically. The converts to vegetarianism are so numerous that there is some danger of it becoming a rashly-adopted fashion for the multitude, and experts like Bernard Shaw and Eustace Miles are warning the public of the pitfalls for the beginner in vegetarian adventures. Shaw declares that such an adventurer who abandons meat and then goes on eating vegetables until he feels he has had enough, will surely burst, and he solemnly reminds the public that three-quarters of a pound of lentils are equal to a pound of meat. Professor Keith has also been lecturing on the subject. He declares that the English race has become long and narrow owing to a generous diet and he predicts that a limited diet will produce a wider face. I wonder if he ever saw a German face, and witnessed the spectacle of a German at his meals? The real land of plenty is Ireland. There they are lacking after themselves with hearty abundance, plentiful supplies of bread, bacon, meat and butter being at their disposal.

LONDON IN WALKING.

Another sign of the times is the steady decrease in the number of taxis. Now there are appeals to those who use them to resort to taxis that still permeate the streets as seldom as possible, so as to save petrol. The suggestion does not appeal to women, who for the most part dislike walking, but the men are doing more pavement exercise than at any time in this generation. When the House of Lords rose in peace times, for example, Palace Yard was full of private vehicles. Now the aristocratic legislators may be seen footing their way home through the parks regardless of the hour or the weather.

A ROYAL COMEDIAN.

Following the abandonment by Royal personages in this country of titles having a German flavour, they are coming out in the full panoply of British rank. The Marquis of Carisbrooke, who has just taken his seat in the House of Lords, was known as Prince Alexander of Battenberg. He was a courtesy Prince, and as such was not entitled to a place in the Peerage, but King George's rearrangement of their rank and status has altered that.

The Marquis has spent nearly all his life in the Navy, and in the Grenadier Guards. He has quite a noble distinction for a member of the Royal Family, for under a "stage" name he has many times proved an acceptable comedian for good causes in Naval, Military and Royal circles.

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THE Undersigned has received in-
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Esq., to sell by Public Auction,

on

WEDNESDAY,

the 15th May, 1918, commencing

at 2.45 p.m., at his residence,

"Tusculum," Barker Road,

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THE WHOLE OF HIS

VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD

FURNITURE,

Comprising—

Tapestry Covered Drawing Room

Seating, Oak Overmantels, Lady's Writing

Desk, Brass Fenders and Fire

Brasses, Tea and Occasional Tables,

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Extension Dining Table, Sideboard

with Bevelled Mirror, Dinner Wagon,

Dining Chairs, Teak Screens, Crockery

and Glass-ware, Cutlery and E. P. Ware,

Figures, etc., etc.

Single and Double Brass Mounted

Iron Bedsteads, Teak Toilet Tables and

Marble Top Washstands, Teak Ward-

robes with and without Mirrors, Toilet

Crockery, etc., etc.

Enamelled and Shanghai Bath Tubs,

Ice Chest, Store Cupboard, Tennis Net,

Garden Seat, Rickshaw, etc., etc.

Also

A quantity of Napery, Bed Linen,

Blankets, and other down Quilts.

And

Plants in Pots, Fern Cases and

Canton Flower Stands.

On view from Tuesday, the 14th inst.

Catalogue on application.

Terms—Cash on delivery.

GEO. P. LAMBERT,

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THE CALENDAR.

GENERAL MEMORANDA.

SATURDAY, May 11—

3.30 p.m.—Half-yearly meeting of Hong-

kong Jockey Club.

Noon—Hongkong Electric Co. meet-

ing.

TUESDAY, May 14—

3 p.m.—Sale by auction of "Tus-

culum," Barker Road, by Mr. Geo. P.

Lamert.

9.15—Frawley Co. opens at the Theatre

Royal.

WEDNESDAY, May 15—

2.45 p.m.—Auction of Household

Furniture at Tusculum, Barker

Road, The Peak.

THURSDAY, May 16—

8.30 p.m.—Extraordinary General Meet-

ing of Members of Hongkong Club.

FRIDAY, May 17—

10 a.m.—The China-Borneo Co., Ltd.

annual meeting.

10.30 a.m.—North Ocean Insurance Office, Ltd.

annual meeting.

winning the war laid down by the
late Lord KITCHENER and the
present Premier were—men, munitions
and money, and it is patent
that in each respect the advantage
in the end must lie with the Allies.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Five cases of cerebro-spinal fever
and four deaths were reported in the
Colony yesterday.

Macao now has a second weekly
Portuguese newspaper. *A Colonis* is
the name of the latest production.

The Yokohama Specie Bank has
opened an agency from the 6th inst. at
Buenos Aires, under the charge of Mr.
S. Majada.

The China Mail Steamship Co.
Ltd., s.s. *China* arrived at San Francisco
on Monday, May 6th, one day ahead of
schedule.

The Hon. Treasurer of St. George's
Day Fund begs to acknowledge, with
thanks, receipt of the undated
donations:—Proceeds of Sweep per
Tajiko Rifle Club \$158.00, Mr. W. A.
Nowers, Wushow, \$100.00.

Mr. Ellis I. Egan, of the firm of
Edward Ezra & Co., Shanghai, is
proceeding to the front, to offer his
services as an Ambulance Driver. He
is a brother of Mr. Edward I. Egan,
member of the Shanghai Municipal
Council.

To reduce expenses, the Imperial
Teing House in Peking has decided to
dispense with electric light in the
Palace. Aladdin lamps will hereafter
replace the electric light in the large
Halls of the Palace, while other places
will be lighted with kerosene lamps.

Owing to late arrival of the steamer
conveying the members of the Frawley
Co. to Hongkong, the Company will
not be able to open their season at the
Theatre Royal on Monday as previously
advertised, but they expect to reach
here in time to open on Tuesday next.

The first Chinese Bishop has been
chosen, and awaits consecration. He
is Archdeacon T. S. Sing, and is the
eldest son of the first Chinese who was
ordained to the priesthood in the
English Church. Mr. Sing was the first
Chinese to be made an Archdeacon. He
is 56 years of age, and was educated at
Ningpo.

A Peking telegram states that
there is no demand for the Seventh
Year Domestic Loan, and that the
Notes of the Bank of China and Bank
of Communications have fallen to 65.
It is further stated that the Minister of
Finance is now trying to arrange a
loan with certain foreign banks by
hypothecating the "New Domestic
Bonds at 60 per cent. discount.

The Hon. Mr. C. McL. Messer,
Captain Superintendent of Police, is to
make a presentation this afternoon to
Sergeant "Kid" Marriott of the Royal
Naval Yard Police in recognition of
services rendered in connection with
the Gresson Street affray. "Kid"
Marriott, it will be recalled, shot down
the leader of the notorious gang as he
was escaping from Gresson Street.

The many friends of Mr. Peter
Grant, who was for some time Manager
of the International Bank at Yokohama,
and subsequently Chief Accountant at
Hongkong, will be pleased to hear that
he has been appointed to an important
position under the Food Control Au-
thorities at home, a position which is a
considerable improvement upon his last
one.

THE MINISTERING CHILDREN'S
LEAGUE.

SALE OF WORK.

The Victoria Branch of the Minister-
ing Children's League held a preliminary
Sale of work at the City Hall this
afternoon and opportunity was taken of
the occasion to bid final farewell to
Mrs. Piercy.

Despite the inclement weather there
was a good attendance. Lady May, the
President, being amongst those present.

Quite a large assortment of useful
articles were on sale including a Sweet
Staff and also a quantity of home-made
pickles and jam for sale. A brick trade
was done until all the articles were sold
out.

RETIREMENT OF MR. T. K. DEALY.

PRESENTATION BY QUEEN'S
COLLEGE.

LOOKING BACK OVER
39 YEARS.

The Assembly Hall of Queen's
College was packed this morning with
the students and teachers of the
College to wish good-bye to Mr. T.
K. Dealy, the Headmaster, who is
retiring on pension after a service of
over 39 years.

Mr. B. TANNER said it was his
pleasant duty to ask Mr. Dealy to
distribute the medals which were won
by Ko Kin Fan and Chan Chi Wai
at the Olympic games at Tokio in
May, 1917. The medals were pre-
sented to each member of the team
by the Committee of the Far Eastern
Athletic Association. He paid a
tribute to the example which Ko Kin
Fan always set, whom he considered
an illustration of what a good sports-
man should be. Although he had
been unable to enter the school sports
recently, Ko Kin Fan did a great
deal by his encouragement to help
the boys. Chan Chi Wai was on the
sick list and thus unable to receive
his medal. Mr. Tanner, therefore,
asked Mr. Dealy, the Principal, to
hand both medals to Ko Kin Fan.

Addressing Mr. Dealy, Mr. TANNER
said that it gave him great pleasure
to ask him, at the close of his thirty-
three years' service, to accept on
behalf of the boys and the staff of
the College with their very best
wishes a cabin trunk, a dressing case
and a deck chair. He said that Mr.
Dealy had himself expressed the
wish that the presentation should be
confined to the College and to make
as little of a function of it as possible.
They were exceedingly sorry that
Mr. Dealy's leaving should be clouded
by the sad news he received and
they trusted that when he reached
Australia on his way to England he
would find Mrs. Dealy in good health,
and he would live many years to
enjoy the pension he had earned.

Mr. TANNER, in asking Mr. Dealy to
accept the presents, said he hoped
Mr. Dealy would measure the good
wishes of the College by the size of
the presents.

Mr. DEALY made the following
reply:—I am extremely touched at
this signal mark of your esteem for
me. It is a commonplace, but it
is nevertheless absolutely true, when
I say that there is no need of these
useful presents to remind me of the
depth and sincerity of your feeling
towards me. The joint work we
have accomplished in the past, and
which is being accomplished at the
moment, is sufficient evidence of our
mutual regard and sympathy. It
would be useless of me to say that
I am about to sever my long con-
nection with Queen's College with-
out experiencing a severe wrench.
That is quite out of the question. I
feel the separation very keenly. I
have spent a longer period here than
will be possible for me now to spend
in any other single locality. It is
over 39 years since as a very young
man, I first left London on the s.s.
Glasgow, to come to Hongkong.
That period alone is a good half of
an ordinary long life and I have wit-
nessed two clear generations of boys
—fathers and sons—pass through the
school. During the whole of that
eventful period, I can honestly say
that in all that I have done here
I have put in the best of which I was
capable. I have never spared myself,
and I need hardly add, I regret
neither the time nor the energy so
given in the course of my duties and I
am unfeignedly proud of this school
and of my life-long connection with
it. I find that since the school was
first opened in 1882, no fewer than
14,500 boys have been inscribed on
its General Register. During my
stay, 12,030 of them have passed
through the school. I have thus
been in close touch with about six
out of every seven boys who have
ever been here. That is a record to
which I point with unalloyed delight
and pride, and a glance down that
myriad-long list of names makes me
feel grieved that I am now at the
end of my career. I believe I am
correct when I say that the Chinese
Members of the Legislative Council
hitherto, without exception, have
been old Queen's College students.
The Civil Service, in all its many
departments, in those branches re-
cruited locally, is very largely made
up of O.C.s, the comrades of
all the Banks, and of nearly all the
leading business firms are also our
old pupils; while those engaged in
shops and stores are legion. It is
thus no exaggeration to say that if
all our old boys in the Colony at the
present moment were to cease work
details of which will be given in our
columns, the Colony would be paralysed.

day, the business of the Colony would
be brought to an undoubted stand-
still. Our old scholars occupy honour-
able positions not only in the Colony
but throughout the Eighteen Pro-
vinces. The more ambitious of them
go to Europe and to America to con-
tinue and complete what they have
begun here; and invariably do so with
shining success. I need not mention
their success in our own University;
that is too well-known to you all.
In the course of my stay here, the
changes that I have witnessed are
many and great. Not long ago, I
alluded to the enormous difference
between the present magnificent
building and its grounds, and the old
Central School which was its im-
mediate forerunner. Differences in
the syllabus of work are just as strik-
ing. The students themselves offer
an equally remarkable contrast. At
the present day, the entire school is
really made up of eager earnest boys,
or boys bubbling over with young
life; when I first came this was not
quite the case. Then, serious stud-
ents of over 30 years of age were
not unusual, and were never refused
admission, while the number of those
over 20 years old, even in low classes,
was very great. It is not a fable that
father and son were scholars in school
at the same time—it is actual
authenticated fact, although that
particular case occurred before my
arrival. A well-known black-and-
white artist who on his travels passed
through Hongkong and visited
Queen's College, has recorded in a
vigorous drawing in "The Captain,"
a school journal, the incident of the
delinquent father being named in class
to the evident amusement of his own
son and class-mates. This incident
was related to me by the Headmaster
concerned. The most recent change
is one in the constitution of the
staff. I speak of the welcome pre-
sence of your mistresses. Another
fact which occurs to me, although
not strictly concerned with the
school, also, shows the enormous
changes made in the past 39 years.
It was a common practice as I have
often seen with my own eyes, among
the boat population in those days to
strike a light by the use of primitive
flint and steel; it was less primitive
than the Swedish matches, which
themselves have been since displaced
by home-made matches.

I again thank you sincerely and
with great warmth for your extremely
practical gifts. They will be of con-
stant use to me, for some length of
time in the near future, and will
unfailingly remind me of the many
arduous years of mingled toil and
pleasure spent within these walls.
My steamer does not sail until Sat-
urday afternoon, so that I do not now
say good-bye, for I should like to
think that the last I should see of
the Colony would be those I now see
about me.—(Applause.)

Three lusty cheers accompanied by
a "tiger" were called for and given
to Mr. Dealy by the students.

DEATH OF MR. A. B. BRYSON.

We much regret to record the death
of Mr. A. B. Bryson, which took place at
Queen's Hospital, Hongkong, on the
evening of the 6th inst., from intestinal
malignancy.

Mr. Bryson, who was a partner in
Messrs. Banker and Company, import
and export merchants, left Hongkong
three weeks ago on the *Tenyo Maru*, en-
route for the United States, on a busi-
ness trip. He left in perfect health
and in high spirits in anticipation of
an enjoyable trip both from the
point of view of pleasure and
business. The first intimation that
anything was wrong was a cable received
by the deceased's partner, Mr. S. E.
Green, stating that Mr. Bryson had been
taken off the ship at Honolulu and that
he was ill in Queen's Hospital. Further
particulars were immediately cabled for
and a reply was received stating that
he was seriously ill and was in a critical
condition; then, yesterday morning,
came a cable stating that death had
taken place the previous night.

Mr. Bryson, who was only 34 years
of age, had resided in the Colony for
about twelve years. He was formerly
in the employ of Messrs. Shaw, Tames
Company, and later with Messrs.
A. B. Moulder and Company. About
five years ago he joined Messrs. Banker
and Company. He was very popular
and had a large circle of friends. A
keen sportsman he had served
on the General and Golf Committees of
the Kowloon Cricket Club. His death
will be genuinely mourned by all who
knew him.

The deceased leaves a wife and four
children for whom great sympathy will
be felt.

The body of the deceased will be
brought to Hongkong for interment,
the date of the funeral to be announced
later.

FOR A LAME BACK.

WHEN you have pains or lameness
in the back due to the parts with
Chamberlain's Pain-Balm twice a day,
unwillingly with the palm of the hand
for five minutes at each application. Then
draw a circle of string tightly with
this balm, and bind it on over the
spot of pain. For sale by all Chemists
and Druggists.

CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

CHARGE OF MURDER.

The case in which Ip Hoi is charged
with the murder of Lai Man, at 43 Yee
Wo Street, on March 31, was resumed
this morning before Sir William Ross
Davies, K.C., Chief Justice.

Inspector Sim, recalled, said, in reply
to His Lordship that he stated to the
Magistrate that the accused's nose
appeared to have been bleeding.

The Chief Justice: Are you sure you
said that? It is a very important point.
Inspector Sim:—Quite sure my Lord.

The Chief Justice:—The Magistrate
has not got it down. It is a very
important point.

Inspector Sim, further questioned,
reiterated that he made the statement
to the Magistrate.

Addressing Counsel for the defence,
His Lordship said he presumed Counsel
realised the importance of that point to
his client.

Counsel replied in the affirmative.
Mr. F. C. Jenkin, addressing His
Lordship, said he thought it his duty as
Counsel for the Crown to inform the
jury that when he made such a strong
point in his opening address, of the
blood on prisoner's clothes, he had no
knowledge of the statement made by
Inspector Sim; if he had, he certainly
would not have said what he did. He
was instructed to say also, that the
Crown Solicitor's Department had no
recollection of the statement being
made.

His Lordship:—Is the Crown Solicitor
prepared to deny that the statement
was made?

Mr. Jenkin: He is prepared to say
that the point is of such vital impor-
tance that he does not think his depart-
ment could have missed it.

His Lordship: If I may say so, I
think you have adopted a very proper
course.

Inspector Sim was again asked by
His Lordship whether he was certain he
made the statement to the Magistrate
to which Inspector Sim definitely
affirmed that he did.

His Lordship:—Very well, I accept
what you say. I am not addressing
you, but I have frequently had occasion
to refer to the unfortunate habit police
officers have of keeping back evidence
which is very important to the Court.

Mr. Tsun Min Chua, Counsel for
the defence, then addressed the jury
shortly, pointing out the importance
of finding a motive for the crime.
There was nothing in the present
case to show a motive. Counsel for
the prosecution had said that securing
the amount of \$12 might be a motive.
He did not think that a sufficient
motive for one man to take away the
life of another. Even if that was the
motive, why should he act in such a
brutal manner? It must have been the
result of hatred. After referring to
the question of the deceased man's
dislike being presented to secure the
money, Counsel said that, as a matter
of fact, the deceased man asked the
accused to collect his money. He
would put the accused in the witness
box and he would tell the jury himself
what happened.

Accused, from the witness box, gave
evidence to the effect that the other
man living in the cubicle killed the
deceased because they had quarrelled
over a woman. He attempted to stop
the murder but was himself threatened.

Addressing the jury, Mr. F. C. Jenkin
said he would ask them to leave out the
question of the blood on the man's
clothes and his nose having bled. It
did not carry the prisoner's case very
far and there were points to which he
would draw attention which were
sufficient, he thought, to convict the
accused. The first point was that there
was a murder, there was no question of
natural death. The second point was
that there were only two people who
could have committed the murder, the
prisoner and the third man. That was
the prisoner's own case; that there were
two people in the room. The third
point was that it had been estab-
lished beyond doubt as to when
the murder was committed. The
fourth point was that there were several
women working quietly in the room
and if, as the prisoner said, he attempted
to prevent the third man from com-
mitting the murder the women must
have heard it. The fifth point was that
after the murder, the accused, with the
third man, was accused of committing
the murder and he said nothing. Counsel
submitted that the reason was that the
accused realised his guilt. The sixth
point was that the proceeding was
repeated when the police came. The
seventh point was the taking of the
deceased's dis and getting his money.

Counsel concluded by stating that
there was sufficient evidence to convict
the accused and submitted that the
verdict should be "in accordance with
the evidence." Counsel then briefly
addressed the jury and suggested that if
there was any doubt as to the accused
should receive the full benefit of the
doubt.

His Lordship then summed up,
particularly dwelling on the point as to
whether the accused, although he may
have been stricken with terror, was in
such a state of duress as to prevent him
calling for assistance.

The jury then retired and after an
absence of five minutes, returned with
a unanimous verdict of "guilty."

Asked if he had anything to say, the
accused replied: "I did not do it."
His Lordship, in passing sentence
of death, said the prisoner had been
found guilty of a very brutal murder,
almost as brutal as it was possible to
commit. It was possible that the
third man might have had the motive
which the accused, assigned to him,
but the jury, by their verdict, had
found, and he did not think there was
much doubt, that the accused was
present, aiding, or at any rate, taking
part in the murder of the unfortunate
man.

His Lordship then formally passed
the death sentence.

THE MAGISTRACY.

OPIUM CASES.

A Chinese youth pleaded guilty when
charged before Mr. Wood this morning
with being in unlawful possession of 49
taels of prepared opium other than
Government opium.

Inspector Kent said the opium was
found concealed on the defendant's
person.

His Worship sentenced the defendant
to nine months' hard labour. The
opium was confiscated.

Another Chinese was charged with
being in unlawful possession of one
pound of raw opium.

The defendant, who pleaded guilty,
was fined \$75 with the alternative of
six weeks' hard labour in default of
payment.

ACCUSATIONS AGAINST AN INDIAN CONSTABLE.

A hawker when charged before Mr.
J. R. Wood this morning with crying
out his wares, accused the Indian
constable of having arrested him out of
spite.

Defendant alleged that the constable,
failing to get the cumbaw of a "packet
of needles from him, arrested him.
Witness also said that on a previous
occasion the same constable snatched a
pair of clogs from his younger brother.

Mr. Wood remanded the case until
Friday next fixing bail at \$5.

FALSE SCALES.

What was characterised as a deli-
berate case of falsifying scales was
heard before Mr. Dyer Ball this morn-
ing, when a hawker was charged.
Inspector Terrett said the scales had
been put out of order by the addition
of a number of copper cash making it 11
per cent. out against the purchaser.

TELEGRAMS.

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POLITICAL CRISIS IN AUSTRIA.

SIEGE PREVAILS IN SLAV DISTRICTS.

London, May 6.

Telegrams from Vienna show that the crisis has grown more acute. Great unrest continues owing to the adjournment of Parliament.

The Slav members of the Cabinet have resigned.

It is doubtful whether the Premier, Dr. von Seidler, will be able to restore order in the Slav districts in the south where a modified form of siege prevails.

THE AUSTRIAN GOVERNMENT'S DIFFICULTIES.

UNREST OF THE SOUTHERN SLAVS.

London, May 7.

A telegram from Zurich states that Dr. von Seidler ordered the prosecution of the organisers of the demonstration at Prague on May 1st in favour of the creation of a Czech-Slovak State. A hundred thousand Czechs have since presented a petition demanding to be prosecuted. Social newspapers in Vienna say that the Committee of the Socialist Party and the Committee of the German Socialist Deputies Club have decided to issue a manifesto to the workers urging readiness to fight the re-establishment of absolutism, of which the adjournment of the Reichstag is a sign.

The *Alteiter Zeitung* warns Dr. von Seidler that he is on the brink of a precipice. The unrest of the southern Slavs is due to the proposed partition of Bohemia on national lines.

THE SITUATION IN UKRAINE.

London, May 7.

The position in Ukraine is very obscure as the reports of happenings there have hitherto been received from German sources.

The German papers contend that M. Skoropadski is pro-German, and has been a frequent visitor to Germany, but Dr. Harold Williams, an expert writer on Russian subjects, in an article in the *Daily Chronicle*, says from what he knows of the personnel of the new Ukrainian Government it is distinctly anti-German, and is trying to make the best of a bad job. Dr. Williams says Skoropadski is a soldier wholly innocent of politics. The new Premier, Vasilenko, is a Cude, convinced of the necessity for union with Russia.

The *Daily News* Correspondent at Moscow, describing the scene in the Rada on April 28th, says the Germans surrounded the building and a German lieutenant walked to the President's chair. While troops entered the lieutenant shouted: "Hands up! sit still," then he called the names of certain Ministers. One answered and was arrested. The Correspondent says General Eichhorn's order proclaiming martial law was the result of a series of peasant risings making it unsafe for Germans to move about. Whole trains of food en route to Germany were frequently seized by bands of revolutionaries.

THE HOME COMMAND.

London, May 7.

The *Daily Chronicle* says it is anticipated that General Sir William Robertson will succeed Field-Marshal Viscount French in the Home Command.

JAPANESE AMBASSADOR AS MEDIATOR.

London, May 7.

The *Times* Correspondent at Shanghai telegraphs that the Chinese Press state that Baron Hayashi, Japanese Minister to Peking, has visited the Chinese Premier and offered Japan's mediation between the North and South. Baron Hayashi is going to Canton to interview the Southern leaders.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE RAID ON ZEEBRUGGE.

GERMAN CASUALTIES.

AMSTERDAM, May 5.

The *Telegraph* states that 70 Germans were killed and 200 wounded in the British attack on Zeebrugge. The Germans compelled a thousand Belgians to repair the damage.

GERMANY'S ILL-TREATMENT OF PRISONERS.

BRITISH REPRISALS.

London, May 6.

Lord Newton in a speech in Lancashire announced that owing to continued ill-treatment of British officers in Germany under the Corps Commander of the Tenth German Army, we had taken certain reprisals in the case of German officers in Britain.

GERMANS DESTROY AMERICAN HOSPITAL.

PARIS, May 6.

German airmen have deliberately destroyed an American hospital near the front, but only two doctors were injured as the hospital was evacuated in the beginning of April.

THE PEACE OFFENSIVE.

WHAT ENGLAND HAS MISSED?

AMSTERDAM, May 6.

Baron von Dem Busche, the German Under Foreign Secretary, replying to Lord Robert Cecil's interview as regards the peace offensive, predicts further German victories in the West and says England has frequently missed the psychological moment for peace.

NO RECENT ENEMY PEACE OFFERS.

LONDON, May 6.

In the House of Commons, replying to Mr. Snowden, who called attention to a Reuter interview with Lord Robert Cecil on 3rd May, Mr. Balfour stated there had been no enemy peace offers recently.

A SUBMARINE PIRATE'S FATE.

BRITISH DESTROYER MISTAKEN FOR DEFENCELESS TRAMP.

LONDON, May 6.

An interesting account of the destruction of the German mine-laying submarine No. 39 has reached London from a Dutch correspondent.

No. 39 was commanded by Otto Ehrentraut, who was a close personal friend of Prince Henry of Prussia and a frequent visitor at the latter's castle at Kiel. Before Ehrentraut left Kiel with No. 39 Prince Henry came to the pier to wish him *bon voyage*.

No. 39 left the base at midnight carrying several torpedoes and a large quantity of gun ammunition but no mines as the trip was in the nature of a shake-down for the crew who had all seen service in other submarines. After sinking the Norwegian ship *Han Arick* and the British str. *Hans Larsen*, No. 39 sighted another Norwegian vessel, namely, the *Ida*, at which, on Ehrentraut's orders, she continued to fire, despite the fact that the steamer had stopped. The German gun layer, after he had obtained several direct hits, asked Ehrentraut if he could cease but the latter told him to go on firing. When he finally ceased one of the *Ida's* boats came alongside and said that two wounded men were left aboard, but it was subsequently discovered they were killed while being lowered into the boats. The Germans accelerated the sinking by using bombs. No. 39 later opened fire at what she thought was another steamer but she had to deal with sterner stuff than defenceless tramps this time, for she was immediately answered by a salvo from a British destroyer. She dived a bit too late, for a depth charge shook her, causing a leak in her conning tower. Water poured into the control and the crew took panic. No. 39 rose helplessly to the surface only to immediately receive a volley of shells from the destroyer. Ehrentraut and six other members of the crew were killed. The destroyer saved seventeen others, including the captain and chief engineer of the *Hans Larsen*, who had been taken prisoners uninjured.

A PROVISIONLESS SUBMARINE.

FOOD DEMANDED OF SPANISH STEAMER.

LAS PALMAS, May 5.

The Spanish vessel *Aduri* with a cargo of rice from India has arrived. She reports she was stopped 50 miles off the African coast by a submarine, the commander of which sent back on the *Aduri* two of his crew who were severely injured during a fight with a British transport, which was sunk. The Captain and First Officer of the transport were prisoners aboard the submarine.

The Germans demanded provisions as they had none aboard. The Captain of the *Aduri* said his own provisions were exhausted owing to the length of the voyage and they were living on the cargo. The Germans then asked for five sacks of rice, which the Captain gave them.

SOUTH HEREFORD, BYE-ELECTION.

LONDON, May 6.

The South Hereford bye-election has resulted as follows:—

Mr. Pelly (Conservative), 3,260; Mr. Preece (Farmer's Candidate), 1,784.

THE WESTERN FRONT.

BRITISH LINE ADVANCED.

LONDON, May 6.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—

By a minor operation, our line westward and south-westward of Morlan-court, between the Somme and the Ancre, was advanced on a considerable front, despite strong opposition. The enemy's losses were heavy, and we took 150 prisoners. Our casualties were slight.

In local fighting we improved our positions in the neighbourhood of Locon and the Lawe river.

SUCCESSFUL OPERATIONS BY AUSTRALIANS.

ENEMY DRIVEN BACK.

LONDON, May 6.

Reuter's Correspondent at British Headquarters, telegraphing today, states:—

The main activity on our battlefield, during the past twenty-four hours, has been confined to the Australian troops.

Following Saturday's success, when the Anzacs advanced the line between the Ancre and Somme to a depth of 700 yards, they again launched a successful operation, last night, south and west of Albert, advancing towards Morlan-court on a front of about a mile-and-a-quarter. They drove back the enemy on the whole line to an average distance of 500 yards.

The Germans fought stubbornly and suffered heavily.

The Australians have pushed on to the lower slopes of the ridge extending from Vaux-sur-Somme behind Morlan-court and linking up with the undulating country around Albert, which is such important terrain in connection with the defence of Amiens against a converging movement.

The weather is intermittently wet and the ground is getting waterlogged making heavy going.

FRENCH REPULSE ENEMY ATTACK.

LONDON, May 6.

A French communiqué says:—An enemy attempt, after a violent bombardment, to reach our lines south-west of Anchin Farm failed completely, many of the enemy being killed.

A detachment penetrated German organisations in the region north of Louvre and west of Rheims and inflicted serious losses on the enemy in a lively engagement and brought back considerable war material.

ALLIED IMPRESSMENT OF NEUTRAL SHIPPING.

GERMANY'S COUNTER-MOVE.

AMSTERDAM, May 5.

A new German regulation withdraws the protection of the neutral flag as regards any ships (which henceforth will be treated as enemy ships) belonging to a country which has concluded an agreement with the enemy respecting the cession of tonnage or if the greater part of the merchantmen of the country concerned is sailing for the enemy.

A NORWEGEO-AMERICAN AGREEMENT.

WASHINGTON, May 6.

An agreement between Norway and America has been signed, whereby America will provide Norway with necessary foodstuffs, fodder, fertilisers and bunker coal and will not seize or hamper Norwegian vessels, in return for which Norway will send the United States surplus ores, minerals, chemicals, timber, wood and fish and will not forward United States exports to the Central Powers or use or replace commodities shipped to the order of the Central Powers.

THE NEW LORD-LIEUTENANT OF IRELAND.

PRESS COMMENT ON THE APPOINTMENT.

LONDON, May 2.

Commenting on the appointment of Viscount French as Lord-Lieutenant of Ireland, the *Daily Telegraph* says it indicates that the Government is determined to pursue a strong and firm Irish policy.

The *Morning Post* says: Viscount French, as a moderate Home Ruler, has probably stipulated for a definite effort by the Government to pass Home Rule before conscription.

The *Daily News* says: The appointment is meant to assure the Conservatives that the Government will enforce conscription. Meantime the drafting of the Home Rule Bill will proceed and the Government hopes there will not be so many restrictive provisions suggested by the Conservatives.

The *Times* says: The appointment is wholly non-political. Viscount French is entitled to credit for undertaking so peculiarly difficult a task from a sense of duty.

IRISH CONSCRIPTION BILL NOT POSTPONED.

LONDON, May 6.

In the House of Commons, the Rt. Hon. T. Lough, Liberal Member for Wigan, asked: Has the enforcement of conscription in Ireland been postponed?

Mr. Bonar Law replied: The intentions of the Government have not changed since the statement made by the Premier on April 29.

GERMAN OCCUPATION OF UKRAINE.

DICTATORSHIP ESTABLISHED.

AMSTERDAM, May 6.

Apparently General Skoropadski has established a kind of dictatorship in Ukraine.

The *Forwards* denies the German assertion that the majority of the Ukrainians support General Skoropadski, who, it says, only received nine votes at the elections for the Assembly and who the big land-owners hail as their champion. It transpires that the Ukrainian Premier, who von Payer stated in the Reichstag, voluntarily resigned, was arrested by the Germans.

GERMAN METHODS CONDEMNED.

The *Alteiter Zeitung* of Vienna condemns the German and Austrian proceedings in Ukraine and foresees perilous complications. It says the Ukrainians are bound to regard the Austro-German as a military régime whose object is solely to requisition foodstuffs. Thus the Russian sentiment will be strengthened.

In a telegram to Vienna, Dr. von Soider admitted that Austria was unable to feed the population of northern Tyrol and northern Bohemia. The former has been attached to Bavaria and the latter to Saxony for provisioning purposes.

This concession was wrung from him most reluctantly by German parties and will accentuate the feud between the German and non-German races in Austria.

UKRAINE FOOD STORES.

GERMAN METHODS TO SECURE THEM.

AMSTERDAM, May 6.

The German difficulties in Ukraine are clearly brought out by a statement by von Payer in the Reichstag and in the subsequent debate.

Von Payer admitted that the Germans entered Ukraine not merely for the purpose of restoring order but because they wanted foodstuffs as speedily as possible. He said the Rada was powerless to make the population deliver its grain. Its communal theories moreover were not reciprocated by the peasants, hence the trouble which led to the overthrow of the Government. Von Payer, after describing an alleged plot to assassinate German officers, said it was most regrettable that some members were arrested while the Rada was sitting. General Eichhorn made an immediate apology for the blunder and the German commander responsible was immediately dismissed.

The new Government which was being formed by General Skoropadski, whom the peasants elected, had agreed to the formation of German field tribunals. The new Government refused to recognise the theories that denied ownership of the soil and it agreed to the necessity of concluding a long-term economic agreement with the Central Powers and to negotiate for reimbursement for German military assistance.

Herr Scheidemann declared that the policy described by von Payer was incomprehensible. The people of Ukraine did not stand behind General Skoropadski and the supply of grain could not thus be retained by Germany.

Herr Erzberger said the shape taken by Eastern questions would decide the entire future of the shaping of Europe. He urged that the political department of the German Government should be the sole deciding factor in Ukraine.

Herr von Busche, Under Secretary, denied that General Skoropadski was supported only by the big landowners.

Under Secretary Bruns, replying to a question whether the Ukraine grain stores really existed, said that experts said so and they estimated the supplies at two million tons. Herr Braun then described the difficulties of securing fulfilment of the treaty for supplying the Central Powers, remarking, amongst other things, that nothing could be purchased without the help of the Ukrainian Jews. Herr Braun added that it was at present very difficult to forecast the quantities which Ukraine could supply. According to the latest reports four million pounds had been notified but as yet were not delivered.

Herr Ledebour, the Socialist, declared that the new Ukrainian Government did not possess any more power than the old.

COTTON WORKERS' WAGES.

30 PER CENT INCREASE WANTED.

LONDON, May 5.

At a meeting at Manchester yesterday of the Executives of all the Cotton Trade Unions, representing over 350,000 workers, it was decided to ask for an advance of thirty per cent in wages.

NORWEGIAN SHIPPING LOSSES.

755 VESSELS AND 966 SAILORS.

LONDON, May 6.

Up to April 30, 755 Norwegian vessels, of a tonnage of over a million, were lost owing to the war, and 956 Norwegian sailors were drowned.

Fifty-three ships with crews numbering over 700 are missing, two-thirds of which are believed to be war losses.

MYSTERIOUS DEATH OF GREEK COLONEL.

ATHENS, May 6.

A German report recently announced the death from dysentery at Gortitz of Colonel Hatzopoulos, who surrendered Serres and Kavala to the Bulgarians.

It is now ascertained that Hatzopoulos was murdered by a Greek agent as a result of a conspiracy among the Greek officers interned at Gortitz.

MILITARY OPERATIONS IN CHINA.

The following Peking telegram received by our contemporary the *Wu Tse Yat Po* (Chinese Mail), will afford the reader some idea of how war is waged in China:—

Tuan Ki Sui sent a personal telegram to Chang Wat Chue stating that as Liling and Yehsien were lost within the space of five days he must recapture these places within the same time, otherwise, he would not be absolved from blame for the disagreement at the front, and for negligence in fighting.

The Kwan sent a private telegram in which he reported that the cause of a certain portion of the Second Army being repeatedly defeated, was due to their having been bribed; they therefore withdrew without fighting. Tuan Ki Sui was most indignant upon receiving this report and has sent a confidential agent to investigate the matter.

According to an official organ, Liling has been recaptured and the position of the Northern troops has much improved.

Tuan Ki Sui received the Delegates of the National Conference of the Chambers of Commerce on the 2nd instant. They asked him to stop the internal strife and to be careful in diplomatic negotiations. Tuan Ki Sui replied that he was also very anxious for peace but there was no uniform opinion among the leaders of the South West. If the South-West really desired peace he would stop the fighting.

Regarding the Sino-Japanese negotiations, he said that these were only connected with the sending of troops to assist in the European war. Japan had not made any demands. He would not accept anything which would be detrimental to the country's sovereignty.

Chan Kwong Yuen telegraphs that the Second Army is not doing well. Nanohang is in danger and hitherto requests the Government immediately to instruct Li Hsun to despatch the Sixth Division from Kiangsu to render assistance. Owing to Hunan being in urgent need of the Fengtien troops, Chai Lank Chui decided to appoint Chu Shu Tsung commander-in-chief to assist Hunan. Besides the Pacification Commissioner for Seochuen, Yunnan and Kwichow, over 40 yings of Kwangsi troops have left Hunan; their idea being to quit Hunan and to protect Kwangtung. They are also willing to make concessions.

Tuan Ki Sui's eldest son, Tuan Juan Leang, has gone to Ichang.

LATER.

A mandate has been issued reinstating Chan Kwong Yuen with the title of General for capturing Nanhang.

Chu Shu Tsung arrived in Peking on the 3rd instant. He advocated the calling back of the entire Second Army and entrusting all the fighting at the front to the Fengtien troops.

He also requested the Government to instruct the Provinces to make preparations immediately to elect members for the new Parliament within a time limit. He also asked for \$3,000,000 funds, and he has now left Peking with \$3,000,000.

Tuan Ki Sui did not approve of the proposal to call back the Second Army, fearing it would offend them.

Chang Hwai Chue applied to Tuo Kwan for help with the result the Tuo Kwan's troops are now stopping the advance of the Southern troops.

Tuo Kwan telegraphed the Government on the 3rd instant, recommending that the First and Second Armies be amalgamated; therefore, news regarding the Northern troops at the front is still bad. It is reported that great changes will take place amongst the Commanders at the front, namely, Chang King Yui will be instructed to go to the front to direct operations; Tuo Kwan to proceed to Changsha while Chang Hwai Chue will be stationed at Wuchang.

It is reported the Baron Ha, who's trip to the South is with the object of arranging a compromise between the North and South. He will find out the attitude of the various Tokwas towards the South and decide what measures to take. He will also find out how long the internal fighting in China will last so that Japan may decide her policy towards China.

Tuo Kwan telegraphed that Ng Puoi Foo has recaptured Yuhien on the 3rd instant.

The Government telegraphed to Chan Fak Tsau that Wong Sing Ya must retake Shungtek within a week.

Nei Sze Chueang telegraphed to Tuan Ki Sui offering to take command of the Second expeditionary Army.

LATER.

It is reported that severe fighting has begun at Ichang. Two aeroplanes have arrived at Ichang.

The Hunan General Headquarters has the river-defence fleet to the upper regions to assist in the fighting.

The Government has submitted today the Sino-Japanese diplomatic questions to the Cabinet for discussion.

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